FT Crossword: Weekend Magazine number 740

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The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic.

ACROSS

- 1 Rural area (11)
- **10** Light-splitting glass (5)
- **11** Scent (9)
- 12 Consisted of (9)
- **13** Great happiness (5)
- **14** Changeable, inconstant (6)
- **16** Black-and-white dairy cow (8)
- **18** Australian capital (8)
- 20 Outdoor meal (6)
- 23 Court process (5)
- 24 Traditional (9)
- **26** Waiving, excluding (9)
- **27** Book of photos (5)
- **28** Early human of Europe and west Asia (11)

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DOWN

- 2 Drug works on one with little hesitation (5)
- **3** Figure rule out with man (7)
- **4** Turn down what's thrown away (6)
- **5** Typical stall next to a road (8)
- **6** Hard-wearing blade refashioned around original (7)
- **7** Details of commercial venture's condition with current conurbations (13)
- **8** Lack of resolution without third and fourth cut (8)
- **9** Holds part of the page for London feature (7, 6)
- **15** Criminal's penalised and locked up (8)
- **17** Story about king's conflict (8)
- **19** Beat the City's code with piles laid out (7)
- 21 Tick and little insect found under nits, perhaps (7)
- 22 Mess up chap with broken leg(6)
- **25** Start to chase wild boar and snake (5)